## The Merchants-Laclede National Bank

OF ST. LOUIS.

Condensed Statement of Condition at Close of Business November 17, 1903.

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Cash and Sight Exchange \$2,335,040.28	\$ 4,763,763.26
Loans Payable on Demand\$2,335,040.28	
" at Fixed Dates 7.679,010.46-	10,014,050.74
United States Bonds	1,220,290.00
Premium on United States Bonds	3,961.15
Other Bonds, Stocks, etc	757,504.99
Real Estate	44,174.99

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Capital Stock	1,400,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits (Earned)	872,385.43
Circulation	481,640.00
United States Bond Account	724,790.00
Municipal " "	554,000.00
Deposits	12,770,929.70

\$16,803,745.13



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Bell, Main 270; Kinlock, A 335.

## **DULLNESS OF HOLIDAYS** SEIZES STOCK MARKET.

BULK OF BUSINESS CON-FINED TO FOUR ISSUES.

Feeling in Regard to the Prospects in Iron and Steel Trade Far From Hopeful.

New York, Dec. 16.-The market took of the tone of holiday duliness and apathy to-day. Fully half the day's meager transactions were in four stocks, namely Amalgamated Copper, United States Steel preferred. Pennsylvania and Brooklyn Rapid Transit. An advance in a few of response in the general list, but the advances were largely lost before half of vances were largely lost before half of the day. The almost total lack of demand for stocks allowed a gravitating tendency to assert itself in spite of the very light pressure to sell stocks. Brooklyn Transit's rise seemed due to buying from the same sources as for some time, but the approach of the opening to traffic of the new bridge from New York across the East River was given as a reason for the demand for the stocks, on account of a prospect of increased traffic from that cause. Sugar's advance was supposably due to the imminence of the passage of the Cuban reciprocity bill through the Senate.

COPPER ACTIVE. The market for Amalgamated Copper continued very active and the price moved irregularly. The activity of the raw copper market in London was an influence on the stock, but the dealings were attributed to an organized speculative movement. The depression upon the market, which was evident, was not easily explainable. The disturbed tendency of the money market, which often becomes apparent toward the close of the year, is entirely lacking at present. Currency is moving freely toward New York from the West and the continued movement toward New Orleans is not sufficient to offset the inflow. irregularly. The activity of the raw cop-

inflow.

The large receipts of gold, and the incoming shipments still to be received by the turn of the year, afford assurance of easy conditions of money for the small remaining period of the year, after which a natural influx of funds to this center is looked for. The perusal of the arguments of counsel in the Northern Securities case, as published to-day, undoubtedly had its effect upon the day's speculative sentiment, both as influencing opinions as to the probable decision in that case and as suggesting possible collateral applications of the principles at issue in the case.

IRON TRADE DISCUSSED.

IRON TRADE DISCUSSED. There was much discussion also of the ondition in the Iron and steel trades, ow ing to the large gathering of representatives in those trades here to discuss the maintenance of prices.

There was no very confident feeling observable that present prices could be held, and the existence of some of the pools designed to hold rates was feared to be endangered, threatening open competition and cutting of rates in some of the branches of the steel trade. This seemed to be the underlying cause of the dullness in the stock dealings, as much as anything else. The sharp recovery in the sterling exchange market was sufficient to put an end to gold imports for the present. The demand for remittances to cover interest and dividend obligations to foreign security holders and the holiday remittances to friends by foreigners resident here is also a conspicuous factor in the seasonable firmness of foreign exchange.

Honds were rather dull and heavy. Total sales, par value, \$1,560,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call. ing to the large gathering of representa-

Reported by the New York Commercial Advertiser, through Francis, Bro. & Co., No. 218 North Fourth street.

Poreign—After some early irregularity American stocks in London improved, and final prices came better. In this market, however, very little was done for foreign assessant. One estimate places the total arbitrage transactions to day at 10,000 shares, evenly devided between purchases and sales.

United States Steel-In the early dealings there were selling orders in United States Steel preferred, which eseculists thought came from inside asources. The majority of observers attributed the fractioned decline to the resumption of the bear party by the seculed Weil clique. There was much talk about the industry of the bears in manufacturing adverse rumors. But it was acknowledged in the best informed stands claudy getter process for steel raths raight be cut any moment.

Sugar-The exite advance in Sigar was due

New York Carb Market

New York Curb Market.

New York. Dec. 16.—The curb market was without feature prices being but slightly changed. Consolidated Lake Superior showed some strength on the prospect of a reorganization, which will give the shareholders a chance to come in. The common stock advanced from 3-16 to 3-8, and the preferred from 1½ to 2. Other sales were. Northern Securities 50 to 50-8, Standard Oil 651 and 654 Greene Cupper 112, to 12. Manhattan Transit 15, and 15. American Can preferred 32.

New York Money Market. New York Money Market.

New York Dec. 16.—Money on call steady at 4½@5ij per cent; closing bid and offered 4; time leans steady; easy; so days and 30 days are for cent; six months 6505; Prime mercantile paper 6. Sterling exchange strong, with actual business in bunkers' bills at 4.83594.845 for demand, and at 4.86064.8076 for 60-day bills; ported rates 4.8364.855 and 4.84634 85; commercial bills 4.86264.8375. Mexican dellars 4.66. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds leavy.

Transactions at the banks were in good ime, and there was a demand for loans, liscount rates steady at 5½ to 6 per cent. Yesterday's Bank Clearings. Yesterday's clearing-house statement showed: carings, 49,529,028; balances, 31,076,910.

Bar Silver. New York, Dec. 18.—Har silver 55% per unce. At London, 25% per ounce. Treasury Statement. Washington, Dec. 16 -Available cash balance \$227,774,151; gold, \$116,332,722.

STOCKS AND HONDS IN BOSTON. Boston, Mass., Dec. 16.—Closing quotations to-isy on money, bonds, stocks and mining shares: MONEY.

BONDS Atchison 594 Mexican Central 4s 694

RAUROAD STOCKS.

Atchison pfd 594 Pitchburg pfd 186

Roston & Albany 244 Roston & Maine 168
Boston & Maine 168
Boston Elevated 149

\*Asked.

MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS. American Sugar 114% Mass. Electric prd. 75
Amer. Fugar prd. 121
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Li MINING SHARES. Adventure 2 Oscola Allouez 4 Anialgamated 48 Parrot Quiney Hingham 20 Call & Hecla. (1996) 43 Contennial 154 Crinity Copper Range 45% United States Dominion Coal 74 Pranklin 74 Pranklin 74 Pranklin 75 United States Old Dominion 2 States Old Dominion 2 States Old Dominion 2 States Old Dominion 2 States Oscola Parallel Pranklin 2 States Old Dominion 2 States Oscola Parallel Pranklin 2 States Old Dominion 2 States Oscola Parallel Pranklin 2 States Oscola Parrot 2 States Oscola Parro

Mining Stocks in New York

Chicago Stock Market. Reported by Whitaker & Co., exchange brokers, 200 North Fourth street:

New York 30c prem
Chicago 50c
Cincinnati 30c dis
Louisville 50c dis
Ney Cricans 10c dis

Asked. 25c prem 15c prem par par par

ST. LOUIS TRANSIT STOCK MAKES NEW LOW RECORD.

SIXTY SHARES ARE LET GO FOREIGN DEMAND DRIVES AT \$12.

and Outside Investment Demand Is Small.

St. Louis Transit yesterday reached the lowest point ever recorded, when lots to the total amount of 60 shares sold at \$12 s share. The stock opened easy at \$12.624 and declined by sixteenths to the low point. The buying apparently was in too small volume to be for inside interest and little effort was made to support th market on the decline. Preferred was offered at \$59.25 and the 4-per-cent bonds at \$78.37%

In the miscellaneous list National Canon was easy at \$18 and \$17.59 was the only active issue.

YESTERDAY'S SESSION.

Ēij.	Closing quotations:	
ð.	Bid.	Asked
L	8t. Louis Transit 3 11.624	\$ 12.00
į.	United Raliways pfd 18.00	529, 25
	United Railways 4s	78,3714
r	St. Louis and Suburban & (old) 103.00	163.50
ij	Alton Bridge 4s 84.00	A1754 (84)
30	Laclede Gus Light is 104.75	105.50
	Merchants' Bridge 6s 108,50	Total
		4000
	St. Louis and Meramec 6s 105.25	109,00
÷	Lindell Railway 5s 103.25	1933 50
31	National Candy Co. 1st pfd 87.00	90.00
ı	National Candy Co. 2d pfd	85,00
ň	National Candy Co. com 17.00	
	Simmons Hardware Co. 1st pfd. 121.00	******
U	Simmons Hardware Co. 2d pfd	121.00
	Small Hopes Mining Co 1214	
3#	Granite-Bi-Metallic 484	
711	Scantle Gold M. & M. Co07	.08
Ш	Central Coal and Coke	\$9.50
H		
,	Sales:	
911	125 St. Louis Transit at	\$ 12.624
	to St. I make Transmit at	19.50

New York Curb Stocks. Reported by G. H. Walker & Co., No. 20 North Fourth street: Close-American Tin Can com. Do. pfd. Do. pfd.
American Writing Paper com.
Do. pfd.
Bay State Gas.
Borden's Condensed Milk com.
Do. pfd.
British Columbia Copper
Consolidated Refrigerating & Lig. Co.
Electric Boat com.
Do. pfd.
Electric Vehicle com.
Do. pfd.
Greene Consolidated Copper

113

 
 Sew Amsterdam Gas
 105

 1948
 195

 Sew York Elec. Vehicle Trans
 6½

 Northern Securities
 24

 Do. pfd.
 78

 Royal Baking Powder pfd.
 28

 Seaboard Air Line com.
 12%

 Seaboard Air Line com.
 22%
 

Bond Sales at New York. REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Dec. 16.—Sales of bonds were made here to-day as follows:

New York, prec. 16. Sept. 48. 1000 West mater here to-day as follows:

23.000 A. T. & S. P. gen. 48. 1000 Gen. 1000

Government Bonds.

New York, Dec. 16.—Government bonds
United States refunding 2s. registered.
United States refunding 2s. coupon.
United States as. registered.
United States 3s. coupon
Inited States as. coupon
United States new 4s. registered
United States old 4s. registered.
United States in the states of the coupon United States in the states old 4s. coupon
United States in registered
United States 5s. coupon

The Metal Markets.

New York, Dec. 18.—Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 involce 65c; nominal; mild firm. Futures opened steady at a decline of L6225 points, which was only a partial response to much lower European cables and rather full primary receipts. Trailing was fairly active at the decline, there being heavy liquidation of scattering long accounts, but at the lower level there was good support from the recognized built contingent, and while Europea was a selier early, foreign orders later in the day seemed to favor the buying side, so that the market ruled steady, recovering part of the initial loss, the better tone becoming more apparent as the closing French cable reported an advance of § frame in that market, making the net decline a matter of 1% frames. The close was steady, not 10 to 15 points lower. Sales were 13,000 bags, including Jan. at 6.056 loc; Feb. 6.10c; March 6.256; 60c; April 6.256 loc; Feb. 6.10c; March 6.256; 60c; April 6.256 loc; Sept. 78 7.10c; Oct. 7.057; 10c; Nov. 7.1067; 15c.

Dried Fruits.

New York, Dec. 18.—The market for evaporated apples shows a better demand and are firmer with common quoted at 45%; prime at 54,65%; choice at 56%, and fancy at 7c. Prunes show a slightly improved tone with holders looking for an increased demand after the holidays. Quotations ranging from 38%; 6%; for sizes ranging from 590,10% to 492,50%. Apricots rule firm with a fair jobbing demand reported. Choice are quoted at 94,65%; extra choice 32,660,10%; cand fancy at 116,15c. quoted at 74,67%; extra choice at 74,67%; extra choice at 74,67%; and fancy at 94,610%; Dried Fruits.

Butter and Cheene.

New York, Dec. 18.— Butter — Receipts 2,750 pigs 2, quiet and steady; creamery 16925c; Statisticy 15622c. Cheese — Receipts 4.46 piggs; quiet; State full cream fancy large and small colored and white Sept. 12c; late made 10c. Chicago, Dec. 16.—Butter firm; creameries 16fe 2c; dairies 1621c. Cheese firm; daisies 1646 libyc; twins 16c; Young American 164c. Philadelphia, Dec. 16.—Butter steady; fair demand; extra Western creamery 2567254c; nearby prints 27c. Cheese dull and weak; New York full creams fancy 115c; choice 114c; fair to good 10567114c.

Dry Goods.

New York, Dec. 16.—Market conditions in dry

New York, Dec. 18.—Market conditions in dry goods have changed but little during the day, buyers continuing to evince reductance at any buyers continuing to evince reductance at any buyers continuing the verice while the attitude of sellers is stronger than ever, Considerable business is being booked quietly at asking prices, which neither buyer nor seller is willing to say very much about Jobbers are preparing for their semiannual clearance sales, and house trade is not active.

Sugar-Raw firm fair

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 15.—Flaxwed was atendy.

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MAY WHEAT MAKES GAINS ON NEWS FROM ARGENTINA.

SHORTS TO COVER.

Other Traction Issues Are Weak | Corn Rallies After a Slight Check and Closes Substantially Higher-Oats Firm.

> Chicago, Dec. 16.-Fresh indications of : curtailment in the Argentine exportable surplus and an increased foreign demand were influential in causing a net gain of ic in May wheat here to-day. Corn is ic higher. Oats are up 1497 c. Provisions

Comparatively firm cables and continued rainy weather news from Argentina were rainy weather news from Argentina were the main factors in bringing out a fair general demand for May wheat early in the day. May opened a shade lower to a shade higher at 80% to 31, advancing soon to 31% 181%. Northwest receipts, however, were nearly double those of the preceding year and southwestern receipts also showed large gains. These features of the domestic situation were responsible for a selling movement that carried May down to 80% 2680% to The card seemed to be beartshly inclined and there was little support offered. The leading long sold a big line of July openly and it was rumored he was selling May through brokers. Quite a lot of long wheat came out on this weak spot, but when the selling ceased a good demand from commission houses and pit traders started a rally. Seaboard reported 22 boatloads taken for export and this gave shorts their cue and they covered freely late in the day. Closing prices were at about the top figures. May closed with a gain of 2c at 81% 2681% after touching 81% . Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 42 550 hu. Primary receipts were 365,300 bu. compared with 562,000 bu. a year ago.

CORN.

Although the secondary tendency in the main factors in bringing out a fair

Although the ascending tendency in corn received a check from the early decline in wheat, it soon railied from the cline in wheat, it soon railied from the depression and ruled firm throughout the remainder of the day. Small receipts and firm cables were partly responsible for the firmness. The lowa crop report was the occasion of a fair upturn in the price of the May option. It showed a reduction of \$7,00,000 bu. in the present crop from that of last year. There was also a considerable improvement in the cash demand, the cash article showing a gain of a cent. After opening a shade higher at 43%c, May sold between 43%c and 43%c, closing at 43%p43%c. Local receipts were 77 cars, no contract grade.

OATS.

OATS. A little demand from commission-houses and selling by scalpers were about the only feature in trading in oats. There was no evidence of any selling by the big longs, neither any further accumulation by these interests. Prices showed little change. May opened unchanged at 35%c, ranged between 25%230%c and 47c, closing at 35%27c.

Local receipts were 38 cars.

RANGE OF FUTURES Opening, Highest, Lowest, Closing 75% 801-880% 813-6814 165 101-880% 101-870%

201-035% 267-0574 20% 267-037 11.85 11.50 11.55 6.35 6.0212 6.00 RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

1160, 41, 600 160, 300 180, 900 214, 300 4, 600 80, 700 Provisions were lower, as was expected in view of the Sharal receipts of hogs and a decline of from 10@15c in prices at the

of yards. Total receipts of hogs at Western markets figured up 120,000 compared with 75,500 a year ago. These figures stimulated a good deal of bearish sentiment in provisions. Buying by shorts was in sufficient visions. Buying by shorts was in sufficient evidence to hold prices steady at a small decline. May pork closed 12½c lower at \$11.62½. May lard and ribs were each off 7½6710c, at \$6.62½ and \$6.20. Estimated receipts for to-morrow: Wheat, 75, corn 135, oats 105, hogs 46,000 head.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

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New York, Dec. 16.—Plour—Receipts 23,410; saports 23,409; fairly setive; closed steadier with wheat. Rye flour firm. Buckwheat, flour, cornmeal and rye steady. Barley dull. Wheat.—Receipts 23,409; spot film; No. 2 red 25; elevator; No. 2 red 25; e. b. affoat; No. 1 Northern Duluth Ste f. o. b. affoat; No. 1 hard Manitoba nominal f. o. b. affoat; Ogitons opered steadier on cables, but sagged off under liberal Southwestern receipts and selling by St. Louis. Later they railled and wound up the session rather strong, influenced by a scare of shorts, buillish news from the Northwest and big flour clearances. The close was firm, \$484.0 nst higher; May \$45,000 i-16.c, closed 58c; July \$90,2515.a. closed \$15.c; Dec. 894,690c, closed 80c. Corn—Receipts 49,500; exports 35.29; most firm; No. 2 Soc elevator; \$25,00 c, affoat; No. 2 sellow 56c; No. 2 white 35c, Osloon market again very firm all day on scant farm offerings, very light receipts, steady cables and good bull support, closing \$c net higher on May. May \$91,2695c, closed 49c. Costs 190c, closed 49c; Dec. 505,25c, closed 42c. Outs—Receipts \$1,500; exports 18,750; system steady charter of the cost of the cost 190c, cost 190c, closed 49c, closed 49c, closed 49c; Dec. 505,25c, closed 49c, cost May \$91,2695c, closed 49c; Dec. 505,25c, closed 49c, cost 190c, cost 190c

Cotton-seed oil firm. Rice quiet. Molasses firm looko, O., Dec. 18.—Clover seed—Cash and Dec. 18.57%; Jan. 15.09 bid. Feb. 35.95; March as 67% bid. Prime alsike 36.55. Prime timothy 5.40. Chicago, Dec. 16.—Cash: Flour dull and prices off 56 bid. Wheat—No. 3 spring 1867be; No. 2 red 80%4845c. Corn.—No. 2 42%; No. 2 yellow 44c. Ons.—No. 2 35%4855c; No. 2 yellow 44c. Ons.—No. 2 35%4855c; No. 3 white 3566 Flac. Rye.—No. 2 35%4855c; No. 3 white 3566 Flac. Rye.—No. 2 35%4855c; No. 3 white 3566 Flac. Rye.—No. 2 35%4855c; No. 2 yellow 44c. Ons.—No. 2 35%4855c; No. 2 white 3566 Flac. Rye.—No. 2 35%4855c; No. 2 white 3566 Flac. Rye.—No. 2 35% Elariey Good feeding 25c; fair to choice making 34856c; No. 2 spring 1866 Flac. Rye.—No. 2 35% Elariey Good feeding 25c; fair to choice making 34856c; No. 1 Principles and St. 25%4655c; Short clear sides, bad. 8 25%4657c; Whishy, basis of highwines, 11.7.

Miwaukee, Wis. Dec. 16.—Wheat irregular: No. 1 Northern 35%651c; No. 2 Northern 34%6c.

Con quiet; No. 1 36%465; No. 2 Northern 34%6c.

Con quiet; No. 1 36%465; No. 2 Northern 34%6c.

Con quiet; No. 1 36%465; May 56%465c.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 16.—Wheat or 17k; No. 3 spring 75%c; May 19%6c; May 50%65c. No. 3 spring 75%c; Cash No. 2 hired 35%365c; No. 2 see 18830c; No. 2 90%35c. Corn.—Dec. 18%6c; May 36%65c; No. 3 spring 75%c; cash No. 2 mixed 35%365c; No. 2 red 18830c; No. 1 90%35c. Corn.—Dec. 18%6c; No. 2 white 36%35c; No. 2 mixed 36%35c; No. 2 white 36%35c; No. 2 mixed 36%35c; Choice timothy 35.0; choice prairie 38. Rye.—No. 2 46%c. Receipts—Wheat 194.400 hu; corn 19.200; cats 12.600.

Minneapolis Dec. 16.—Wheat—Dec. 75; May 51%c; July 80%c; No. 1 mixed 36%35c; Choice timothy 35.0; choice prairie 38. Rye.—No. 2 46%c. Receipts—Wheat 194.400 hu; corn 19.200; cats 12.600.

Minneapolis Dec. 16.—Wheat—Dec. 75; May 51%c; Dottern 16%c. No. 1 hurd 187%c; No. 2 Northern 716%c. No. 3 Nort rm. do, O., Dec. 16.—Clover seed—Cash and Dolec, \$1.57\(\frac{1}{2}\); Jan. \$6.90 bid; Feb. \$5.95; March \$57\(\frac{1}{2}\) bid. Prime alsike \$6.65. Prime timothy

Hides. Dry-flint-Butcher (18 lbs. and un) at 14%;c:
do. light (under 15 lbs.) at 13c; fallen at 13c;
native and Arlaness at 13%;c; latter on selection at 14c for No. 1 and 12c for No. 2; round
at 7c; do. on selection at 7½;c for No. 2 and 6½;
for No. 2. Buils or uncured to per ib less; pair
oured 1/c less; culls 3½;c. Horse hides-Green
No. 1 at \$2.75; No. 2 at \$1.75; ponies, colts and
blues at \$1; all dry at 75c. Wool.

Mo. and III.—

Med. comb. &

cloth, mxd 21 g.—

cloth, mxd 21 g.—

Cloth, mxd 21 g.—

Cloth, mxd 22 g.—

Med. 12 me. 17 Gets

Med. 12 me. 14 Gets

Light fine. 16 Gets

Med. (fleeces). 29 Gets

Med. (fleeces). 2 Turpentine and Rosin.

Petroleum. a. Dec. 16.—Credit baiances \$1.90; no bld. Shipments 78.572, average 64.500; average 0.115. Shipments average 08.925; runs Lime 51.415. SUMMARY OF ST. LOUIS MARKETS

Wheat values were advanced yesterday by a new crop of longs. The market was weak enough after a slightly higher opening, and brisk liquidation by traders who had been among the buyers for several days caused a sharp decline in the prices of the active options. The rather futile show of initial strength was based almost entirely on a slight improvement in the cables. Manipulators here and in Chicago were the best sellers, and subsequent events showed that there was a string to their offerings. Small traders eagerly followed the lead of the prominent longs and prices were steadily on the downturn until around noon, when some of the bullish news which had been ignored earlier in the session was brought to light and given its proper weight. Weather conditions in the Argentine and in European wheat-producing countries were reported unsettled and Oklahoma furnished some bullish ammunition in the shape of damage reports. Buying was good in the last hour and all of the early losses were wiped out. Receipts were heavy and clearances were light.

Corn values were well maintained on light receipts and bullish reports, the mest mportant of which was from Iowa, where the yield was said to be smaller than that of last year. Though trading was light, the market was not seriously affected by the early break in wheat, and the close was strong.

May wheat opened 1-16c up and closed 140%c up.

May corn opened 1-16c up and closed %c up.

May outs closed %c up.

Receipts of produce were moderate and prices of fruits and vegetables were firm Weakness of Transit was the feature of the local securities market. The stock nade a new low record. Yesterday's bank clearings were \$9,529,608, balances \$1,676,910. Discount rates

deady between 51/2 and 6 per cent Spot cotton was unchanged in the local market.

WHEAT FUTURES RALLY

AT CLOSE OF SESSION. DAMAGE NEWS CAUSES

SHARP REVERSAL

Corn Holds Well on Light Receipts and Unfavorable Crop Estimates.

After a slightly higher opening on better cables there was a sharp decline in and general selling by longs here and in Receipts were large and early foreign adthe few remaining longs had been pretty on damage reports from Oklahoma and strength at other domestic centers.

May wheat opened 1-16c up and sold at: S0%c, 80%c, 80% 1146814c, 814e Light receipts and steady cables were the main bullish features in the local mar-ket for corn. There was enough buying to keep the active options from breaking in line with wheat, but outside speculation was extremely light.

May corn opened 1-16c up and sold at: 41%c, 41%c Receipts of wheat at St. Louis 104,000 bu., of which 102 cars local and 14 cars through, as against 40,07 bu., of which 506 cks. and 27 cars local and 16 cars through, in 1000

Receipts of wheat at primary points 977,696 bu. ngainst 662,600 bu. in 1992, and shipments 265,600 bu., against 229,600 bu. Northwest received 557 cars, against 352 cars in
1992. Chicago received 150,300 bu. and Kansas City 194,400 bu. Clearances 465,000 bu.
Receipts of corn at St. Louis 14,400 bu.,
of which 15 cars local and 1 car through,
against 25,555 bu., of which 705 sks, and 39
cars local and 3 cars through, in 1992.
Samples on trk. firm.
Jowa State report makes corn crop of
1993 at 230,511,000 bu., against 257,000,000 bu.
a year ago.

1903 at 200.511.000 bu., against 257,000.000 bu. a year ago.

Receipts of corn at primary points 322,000 bu., against 729,000 bu. in 1902, and shipments 105.000 bu., against 255,000 bu. Chicago received 180,020 bu. and Kanasa City 19.200 bu. Clearances 81.000 bu. and Kanasa City 19.200 bu. Clearances 81.000 bu. 37,800 bu., of which 29 cars local and 8 cars through, against \$2,650 bu., of which 27 cars local and 12 cars through, in 1902.

Iowa State report estimates the oats crop of 1906 at 29,012,000 bu., against 125,000, bu., against 125,000 bu., against 320,000 bu. Clearances 55,000 bu.

Cash Grain, Flour, Etc.

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white at 43cg and famey No. 3 yellow at 48c. No. 3 quotable at 43c and No. 3 white at 43c. OATS-Received. 20 cars local and 5 cars through. By sample, delivered: No. 2 at 37c W. nide; No. 3 at 125/23c W. nide; No. 3 at 125/23c W. nide; No. 4 at 35c; no grade (barley mixed) at 35c; No. 3 white at 30; No. 2 white at 37/2625/2c W. nide; No. 4 white at 126/235/2c W. n iny.

BRAN-Basis enst track-Hard winter bran in 160s at 76c, and soft winter at 75c in large and 77c in small take; mixed feed in 100s at 749 78c for hard and 86821c for soft winter; mids.

ide for hard and 80821c for soft winter; mide at 80c to 80c, necording to quality, with something fancy higher. At mill bran sells at 726 80c and ships at \$1.05.

HAY—Market E. side: Timothy Choise, \$12.50; No. 1 \$11612; No. 2 \$2010.50; No. 3 \$75.50; No. 1 \$10810; No. 2 \$2010.50; No. 2 \$2.50; No. 2 \$100 No. 2, according to mixture. Prairie—Choice \$100; No. 1 \$1992.50; No. 2 \$1508.50; No. 3 \$59.50; N

St. Louis, Dec. 18.—May wheat Silic; puts 50%c to 80%c, and calls 51%c51%c to 51%c. Milwanker May wheat Puts 31861%c, calls 51%c bid. May corn—Puts 42%c asked, and calls 42%c bid.

Minneaptlis—May wheat \$11%c.

St. Louis Future Prices.

Stocks of Grain in Store. 

Butter-Higher and strong Creamery-Extra at Sc; firsts 1622c; seconds 30c. Ladde-packed-Extra Irc; firsts 18c. Dairy-packed-Fancy 18c; poor to fair HighEs, Country stock in pails, 12c for choice, and poor at \$611c. Cheese Northern on orders. Grease stock 465c.

Cheese Northern on orders: Twins 18tic; singles 18tic; daisies II ig; Young Americas II ig; long horns II ig; New York twins II ig; limburger 18tilitie; Door \$5fic: Swiss life for choice; No. 2 at 10513c; brick 115111ig.

Eggs Received 543 pkgs. local and 230 pkgs. through; shipped 1.335 pkgs.; firm; market quotable at 37c for case count and 28tic loss off.

Fruits and Vegetables

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The Republic quotations are for lots in first hands unless otherwise specified. Small lots on orders are charged higher:
APPLES—Eastern and Michigan stock in bulk, per bbl. measure. from \$1.5662; Western Beauty, etc., \$1.592.59, mainly, and fancy higher; Geneting \$18.175, mainly \$1.561.85.
MALAGA GRAPES—Per bbl. at \$2.561.85, MALAGA GRAPES—Per bbl. at \$2.561.85, MALAGA GRAPES—Cuban (tiew), \$2.561.85 per doz. doz.

TANGERINE—Florida, 15.100% per ber.

ORANGES—Florida, Brights or Resents,
\$2.50 per box delivered; California on trk.:
Seedling, \$252.55 and Navels, \$2.5063,
GRAPE FRUIT—Florida, \$556.50 per box;
Jamaica, \$4.5065 per box.
GRAPES—Catawba, in crates containing 10
baskets of 3 lbs. cach, at \$11.25 per crate;
fancy basilets, Irc.
LEONS—Slow. California on trk.: \$1.7565 for
choice to fancy; new Messina from stora, \$2.75

\$4. LIMES—Per 106, 31.5052.

BANANAS—Quotable 31.262.25 a bunch on critera.

COCOANUTS—Per 1,060, E. trk.: 326, jobbing way, 55.50 per 100.

CRANBERRIES—Cape Cod, choice 37.3567.05.

Per bbl.; Jersey (small bbla), \$1.3567.05.

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS—Lycopodisms at 311 per 100-lb. crate; evergreen wreathing, 316 per 50-yd, coll. Wreaths—Evergreen, 31.50-15.

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Per dox; holly, \$1.5062.05 per dox.; holly—Delawars, \$4.50 per 100-lb. crate, 50cthorn, 31.50-15.

POTATOES—Car lots on track in bulk, 55-160 to ordinar 5/85-6 on track in bulk, 55-160 to ordinar 5/85-6.

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CONIONS—Red globs in bulk, 105-166, and said. 35-166.

Golde: whether globs, in bulk 505-26.

CABBAGE—New York Danish Holland seed, and Dutch from 32 per ton del.

CUCUMBERS—Eastern hot-house, 51-69-60 per bulk 506-60.

TOMATOES—Carifornia 48 at 51-54.

BEETTS—Home-grown, 35/96c per bul 100-80.

New Orleans head lettice at 35-60 per bul. CARROTS—Home-grown at 56-50 per bul. Said 31-50 per bbl.

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EGGPLANT-Florida 1362.25 per ha PEPPERS-New Florida to at 11 Sel. M. STRING BEANS-Scarce. Choice Florida cound green 11.7564 per bu. New Orleans a SUBSTITUTE OF BUILDING PORTS OF SWEET POTATOES New Ber SWEET POTATOE

SWEET PARTURE OF BU. Namemond, red or yellow, 60650.

ORBERN PEAS-Florida 202.15 per hamper.

EALE-Home grown per bu. No.

SPINACH-Per bu. loose 2006.

SAUEREKRAUT-New per 4-bbl. 51.5, and N.56.
HORSERADISH New 12.500 per bal.
BPANISH ONIONS New 11.10 per cents.
AULIFLOWER Barters 100 per bal. Call. CAULIFLOWER - Bartern 1868 per Bal. Callformia St. 1962 per crate.

CELERY - Kalamano ameli 1846crise per
bunch. Home-cross 1865c for dwarf to state
for choice per bunch. California per cet. S. to
G. 15. Celery roots 2505c per dos.

RUTABAGAS - In built Ste bu det.

PARSLITT-New Orleans 2505c per dos.

RADISHES-New Orleans (1000) 2500c per
dos.

FEATHERS—Frime white they game in small size, Sic and in large size, Sic; prime gray do. dle in small and due to large size, Sid white togeth; X begins; XXX 100 in; XXXX for tare in per cent or small size, and to on large; chickens Sc; ducks—white dis; dark Se. AXXX 5c; tare to per out of the per out of the continue of the we and Sc for boiled; 10 per sold.

POP CORN-100 lbs. at \$1.35 for yellow shalled in d \$1 for mixed on cob.

RICE—Quotable at \$1.35 on cob and \$1.56 ts.

SCRAP IRON AND METAL.—Per 10 flow from the from the heavy cast flow mallands the land breakable site. stove flow like the same site is heavy brass \$2; copper \$2; flow \$1; load \$3.50; pewter \$12.

SALT—E, side medium at \$5; same \$1; load \$3.50; pewter \$12.

REKOOM CORN—Quotable at \$5; same \$2; load \$1.50; pewter \$1.50. per bbl.; 5c more per bbl. this ada.

HROOM CORN-Cuotable at M. to per bbl. in: no sales.

HEANNAND PEAS-Quote from period white beans-Choice hand-picked at M. de life per pe. nrime do. at H. S.; screened at H. D. per pe. dried green Scotch peas at M. D. per bl. bl.; and per bbl. bl.; bar per bbl.; laims beans at 6045c per B.; battle at 6c. Country white beans at H. Della per bl.; farms beans at 6045c per B.; battle at 6c. Country white beans at H. Della per bl.; for medium and mixed to H. della per bl.; battle at 6c. Country white beans at H. Della per bl.; for medium and mixed to H. della per bl.; battle at 6c. Country white beans at H. Della per bl.; battle at 6c. Country white beans at H. Della per bl.; battle at 6c. Country beans and gracille H. della per bl.; battle per bl.; battle

S1.39 for 5-hoop, from-bound, and S1.32 for hoom, do.; cast pork bills. S1.39 for weed bound. S1.18 for tron-bound, ash pork bill. S1.39 for weed bound. S1.18 for from-bound, ash pork bill. S1.39 for 15.40 for 15.40